

Taking Gathered Worship Home

The Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany – Sunday, February 2, 2020

Taking Gathered Worship Home (TGWH) has been developed for you to use in the private worship of your home, whether you are married or single, and whether or not you have children. It is a tool to knit us together throughout the church year. While we would encourage the use of TGWH in its entirety, you are encouraged to adapt the offerings to your particular circumstances. The prayer is taken from "Lutheran Worship" and the psalm readings are taken from the "Book of Common Prayer" and the daily readings are from "The Book of Common Worship."

O God, our loving Father, through the grace of your Holy Spirit you plant the gifts of your love into the hearts of your faithful people. Grant to your servants soundness of mind and body, so that they may love you with their whole strength and with their whole heart do these things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Daily Readings

SUNDAY

Morning Psalter – 24, 29
Genesis 18:16-33
Galatians 5:13-25
Mark 8:22-30
Evening Psalter – 8, 84
♪ *Now Thank We All Our God* (p. 2)

MONDAY

Morning Psalter – 56, 57, 58
Genesis 19:1-29
Hebrews 11:1-12
John 6:27-40
Evening Psalter – 64, 65
♪ *Psalm 27:7-14* (p. 4)

TUESDAY

Morning Psalter – 61, 62
Genesis 21:1-21
Hebrews 11:13-22
John 6:41-51
Evening Psalter – 68
♪ *The People That in Darkness Sat* (p. 5)

WEDNESDAY

Morning Psalter – 72
Genesis 22:1-18
Hebrews 11:23-31
John 6:52-59
Evening Psalter – 119:73-96
♪ *And Can It Be That I Should Gain* (p. 8)

THURSDAY

Morning Psalter – 70, 71
Genesis 23:1-20
Hebrews 11:32—12:2
John 6:60-71
Evening Psalter – 74
♪ *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed* (p. 10)

FRIDAY

Morning Psalter – 69
Genesis 24:1-27
Hebrews 12:3-11
John 7:1-13
Evening Psalter – 73
♪ *How Sweet and Awful Is the Place* (p. 11)

SATURDAY

Morning Psalter – 75, 76
Genesis 24:28-38, 49-51
Hebrews 12:12-29
John 7:14-36
Evening Psalter – 23, 27
♪ *Nunc Dimittis* (p. 12)

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 27. What do you understand by the providence of God?

A. God's providence is his almighty and ever present power,^[1] whereby, as with his hand, he still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures,^[2] and so governs them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty,^[3] indeed, all things, come not by chance^[4] but by his fatherly hand.^[5]

[1] Jer. 23:23, 24; Acts 17:24-28.

[2] Heb. 1:3.

[3] Jer. 5:24; Acts 14:15-17; John 9:3; Prov. 22:2.

[4] Prov. 16:33.

[5] Matt. 10:29.

Q. 28. What does it benefit us to know that God has created all things and still upholds them by his providence?

A. We can be patient in adversity,^[1] thankful in prosperity^[2] and with a view to the future we can have a firm confidence in our faithful God and Father that no creature shall separate us from his love,^[3] for all creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they cannot so much as move.^[4]

[1] Job. 1:21, 22; Ps. 39:10; James 1:3.

[2] Deut. 8:10; 1 Thess. 5:18.

[3] Ps. 55:22; Rom. 5:3-5; 8:38, 39.

[4] Job 1:12; 2:6; Prov. 21:1; Acts 17:24-28.

In Preparation for the Divine Service: February 9, 2020, The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

Sermon Reading: John 9:1-41
Rev. Eric Landry preaching

The Appointed Lessons:
Psalm 15
Micah 6:1-8
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12